

COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS**IN ASCENDING ORDER WITH STATUS INDICATOR**

- 1-5 (Canceled).
6. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device, comprising:
- an upper polarizer on a upper substrate;
 - a lower substrate on a lower polarizer;
 - a liquid crystal layer disposed between the upper substrate and the lower substrate; and
 - a backlight device disposed opposite and adjacent to the lower polarizer for emitting light toward the lower polarizer;
- wherein the lower polarizer includes a light shielding film ~~in a peripheral portion formed in a rectangular shape~~ only along a peripheral portion of the lower polarizer; and
- wherein the light shielding film absorbs light.
7. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device according to claim 6, wherein the light shielding film includes a coating that absorbs light.
8. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 7, wherein the light shielding film is formed by a printed material.
9. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film extends along four peripheral sides of the lower polarizer.
10. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film is dark.
11. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film is black.
12. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein said liquid crystal display device is a dot matrix liquid crystal display.